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In re application of: Simms *et al.* Confirmation No.: 6799

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed **September 23, 2009**, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. If the fees submitted with this response are not sufficient, any fees required to avoid abandonment of the application, including fees for extensions of time or claims fees, may be taken from **Deposit Account No. 50-3994**. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees, or credit any refunds, to Deposit Account No. 50-3994, with reference to our matter IVGN 261.

Amendments to the Claims are found beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are found beginning on page 8 of this paper.